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Applicant(s): Jannis Stavrianopoulos et al. )

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TARGETS COMPRISING NONMETALLIC )  
PORPHYRINS )

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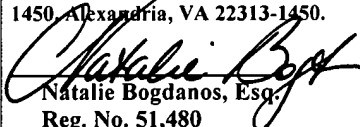
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**REPLY TO DECEMBER 10, 2007 OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sirs:

This Reply is in response to the Office Action mailed on December 10, 2007 (hereinafter referred to as "Office Action", a copy of which is attached herein as Exhibit 1) in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the Office Action was due on March 10, 2008. This Reply is accompanied by a three-month Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), attached herein as Exhibit 2. A response to the Office Action is now due on June 10, 2008. As such, this Reply is being timely filed.

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